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1. The Rabotnik Brick Factory, which is located at 3 Vitosha Street in the Ivan Vazov Kvartal of Sofia, covers an area of approximately three kilometers. In 1947 the plant annexed several smaller brick plants, and is now believed to be the sole brick plant in Sofia. In 1954 the plant, which employs 400 to 600 workers, produced 40 million bricks. 25X1
2. Eight "Ring Ofen" kilns of various capacities and ten sets of kneading machines and presses made in Germany comprise the principal equipment of the plant. Both the machinery and the buildings of the plant are old and obsolete.
3. The plant is in operation only part of the year; from about May until November. The kneading machines and the presses are worked in one shift, while the kilns are operated in three shifts. The kilns, each of which has three furnaces, are fired with a mixture of coal and wood waste.
4. In 1954, the Rabotnik Factory undertook experimental production of clay sewage pipes. Until late 1954 no decision had been reached about the possible mass production of these pipes, because of the limited supply of clay. Although new sources of clay have been located to replace others which have been exhausted, the supply is insufficient for long-term operations.
5. Included on page 2 is a diagram of the Rabotnik Brick Factory, the legend to which follows:
  - 1: Vitosha Street.
  - 2: Ivan Vazov (?) Street.
  - 3: Main entrance to Factory.
  - 4: Side entrance.
  - 5: Dispatch and administrative departments.
  - 6: Administrative building (single story edifice).
  - 7: Kiln No. 1.
  - 8: Kiln No. 2.

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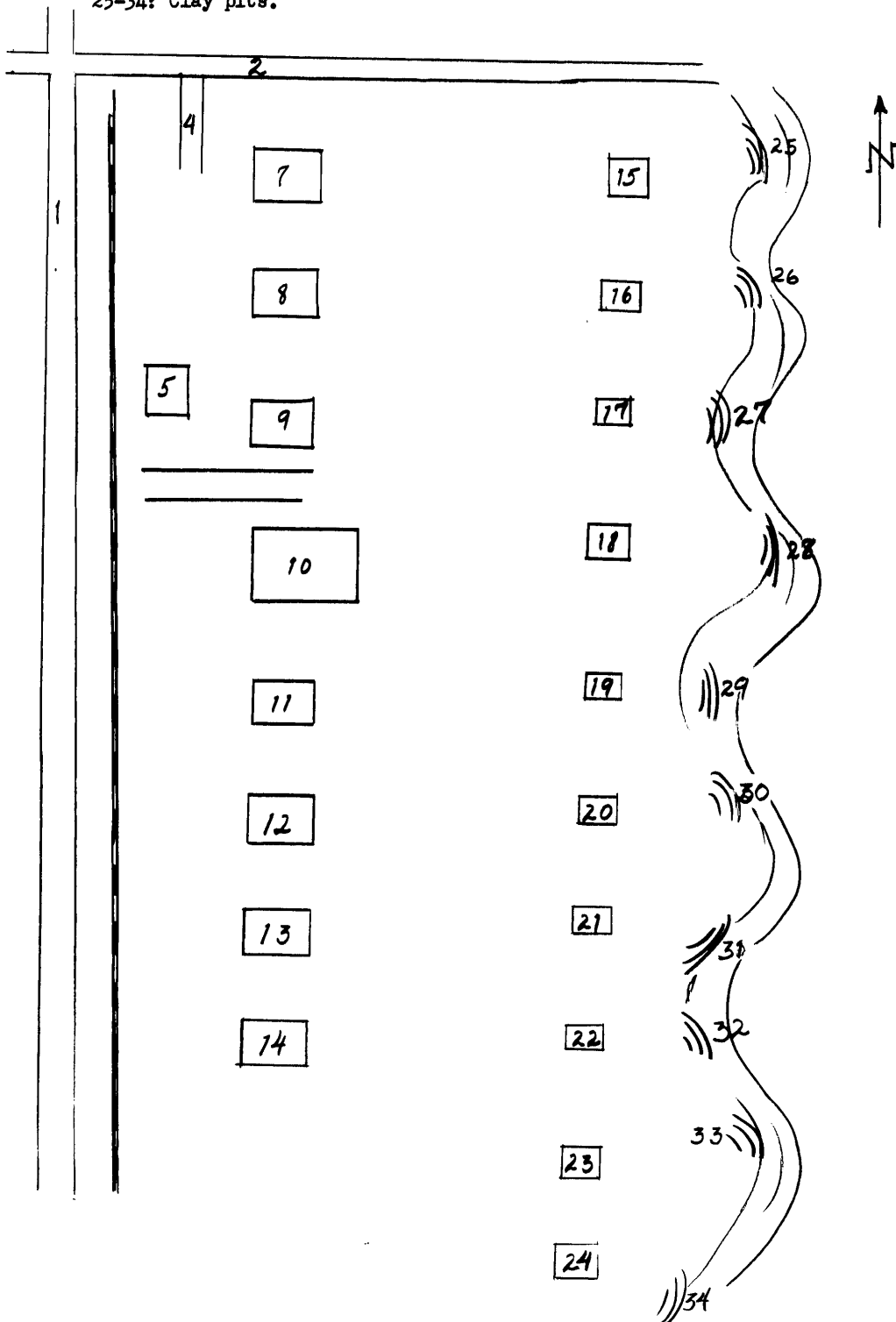
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- 9: Kiln No. 3.  
 10: Kiln No. 4. (the largest).  
 11: Kiln No. 5.  
 12: Kiln No. 6.  
 13: Kiln No. 7.  
 14: Kiln No. 8.  
 15-24: Kneading machines and presses.  
 25-34: Clay pits.



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